

November 21, 1968

## George DeBilzan

George DeBilzan, 74, passed away Thursday, Nov. 14, at the Veteran's Hospital in Minneapolis.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Nov. 19, at All Saints Catholic Church in Andover with interment in the Bristol cemetery. Rev. Marvin McPhee officiating. Rosary was held at the church, Monday evening, at 7:30 o'clock.

Honorary pall bearers were Charles Ahern, John Charles, H. W. Lapham, James Murray, H. W. Raynes and Paul Schroeder.

Active pall bearers were E. J. Baadte, George Dylla, Orville Helmer, Ivan Morehouse, Eugene Prunty and Bert Raap.

George DeBilzan was born Feb. 5, 1894 to Ann and George DeBilzan at Andover. He attended Andover grade school and grew to manhood in the vicinity. He served in the army in World War I and worked in the shipyards in Washington state during World War II.

He was a member of All Saints Catholic Church in Andover and the American Legion Post No. 258. Mr. DeBilzan operated businesses at Ewing, Neb., and at Groton. He resided in Groton two years before receiving injuries in a fall, which required hospitalization at the Veteran's Hospital in Sioux Falls. Since 1959, he has resided in nursing homes at Groton and Miller and for the past 8 years at Webster. Six weeks ago he suffered severe burns to 30 per cent of his body, both legs and left hand. He was hospitalized at the Day County Hospital for 18 days and then moved to the VA Hospital in Minneapolis, where it was necessary to amputate his legs. His condition was critical since the day he received his burns.

Mr. DeBilzan is survived by a daughter, Deloris McKenzie, Forrest Lake, Ill., and three brothers, Matt DeBilzan, Belleville, Mich.; Wm. DeBilzan, Chicago, Ill., and Frank DeBilzan, Phoenix, Ariz.

Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements.